

Amendment No. 1 to SB0583

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 583

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by deleting Section 1 of the bill and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-119, is amended by designating existing subsection (a) as subdivision (a)(1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (a)(2):

(2)

(A) Every child in Tennessee under twenty-four (24) years of age whose parent is a retired teacher who retired after a minimum of twenty-five (25) years of full-time creditable service is eligible to receive a twenty-five percent (25%) tuition discount grant at any state operated institution of higher learning. Any child who is eligible to receive a tuition discount grant under this subdivision (2) but whose parent dies during the time the child is enrolled in a state operated institution of higher learning shall continue to be eligible to receive the discount grant.

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the department of education shall administer the program of grants that fund the tuition discounts established by this subdivision (2) for children of retired teachers. The department shall make tuition discount grants to eligible applicants on a first come, first served basis. The availability of tuition discount grants for children of retired teachers shall be limited each year by the amount of funds specifically appropriated for this purpose in the general appropriations act.

(C) The commissioner of education is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this subdivision. All

such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.